IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ming H. Wu) Group Art Unit: 1742	
Serial No.:	10/609,004) (10up Ait Ollit. 1742	
Filed:	June 27, 2003)) I	Examiner: Janell Combs Morillo
For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING)	
SUPERELASTIC BETA TITANIUM ARTICLES)	
AND THE ARTICLES DERIVED THEREFROM)	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated March 13, 2006. A petition to extend the time for reply accompanies this Response and Amendment. In addition, a request for continuing examination accompanies this Response and Amendment. Please amend the Application as follows: